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SUBJECT: HUNGARIAN DELEGATION VIEWS ON ICCS

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1. HUNGDEL DEPUTIES GAL AND GENERAL GSAPO, IN SOMEWHAT DEFENSIVE MOOD, HOSTED EMBOFFS AT LUNCH MARCH 15 REACTING BITTERLY TO SAIGON PRESS CRITICISM OF THEM AND EVIDENTLY SMARTING FROM GVN GENERAL HIEP'S DEMARCHE RE LACK OF HUNGARIAN AND POLISH PARTICIPATION IN INVESTIGATION OF CAI LAY SCHOOL INCIDENT. CSAPO CLAIMED CREDIT FOR HAVING PREVENTED BREAKDOWN OF SUCCESSFUL PRISONER EXCHANGES DURING HUNGARIAN TURN AS ICCS CHAIRMAN IN FEBRUARY; HE SAID HE WORKED 18 HOURS PER DAY AND REACTIVATED OLD ULCER. ON ISSUE OF PREREQUISITE OF SECURITY GUARANTEES BY BOTH PARTIES AND PRG LIAISON OFFICER FOR INVESTIGATIONS, HUNGARIAN MAINTAINED DOCTRINAIRE POSITION GAL STATING ANOTHER HUNGARIAN CASUALTY WOULD BE A SERIOUS POLITICAL ISSUE AND CSAPO STATING HIS COMMAND-
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ING GENERAL IN BUDAPEST WARNED HIM HE WOULD BE "ON THE CARPET"

IF A SINGLE HUNGARIAN CASUALTY OCCURS. CSAPO NOTED HE HAD DEMANDED AND RECEIVED SAFETY GUARANTEE FROM BOTH PARTIES FOR ICCS SUPERVISION OF PRISONER EXCHANGE. HUNGARIAN DID NOT REBUT EMBOFFS COMMENT THAT SOME RECENT INVESTIGATION SITES ARE SO CLOSE TO SAIGON OR BIEN HOA ICCS HEADQUARTERS THEY COULD NOT REASONABLE BE CONSIDERED MORE DANGEROUS THAN THOSE HEAD-QUARTERS OR REQUIRE SPECIAL SAFETY GUARANTEES.

2. ON DEPLOYMENT ISSUE HUNGARIAN INSISTED THEY NOT PLANNING TO EVACUATE ADDITIONAL ICCS SITES ALLEGEDLY MADE DANGEROUS BY NEARBY ARG ARTILLERY EMPLACEMENTS, AND SAID PURPOSE OF HUNGARIANS AND POLES IN RAISING ISSUE WAS TO INDUCE ARVN TO MOVE ITS ARTILLERY AWAY. EMBOFF NOTED THIS WOULD CONSTITUTE IMPROPER ICCS ATTEMPT TO INTERFERE WITH NORMAL TACTICAL DISPOSITIONS OF ARVN ARTILLERY.
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